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### Hike for Hospice

Drummer Dani Stahle led the way as participants in the eighth annual SIRCH Hike for Hospice did a starting lap at the track at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in memory of lost loved ones. See more on page 3.

# Emergency base could cost \$3M

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

Minden.

A combined base would likely occupy about 12,000 square feet and include vehicle bays, administrative space and shared staff facilities such as a training room, laundry room and washrooms.

Awde estimated the cost for such a base at between \$2.8 and \$3.1 million.

He also presented potential design concepts for a standalone EMS base in case Minden Hills opted not to join in on the project.

Such a building would cost between \$1.2 million and \$1.5 million, Awde estimated.

He also presented various options as to where the base could be located on the property, which is divided into three parts.

"Is there any construction cost implication to whether you pick part three and potentially dispose of one and two or build on one and two and dispose of part three?" asked Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid.

Awde said it would likely balance out in terms of construction costs regardless of what part of the property the building is located on.

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## Hike for Hospice breaks records

Approximately 115 people took part in the eighth annual SIRCH Hike for Hospice in Haliburton Village on April 28, setting a record for the event. It also raised more money than ever before, bringing in nearly \$23,000, smashing its target of \$18,000. Nancy Brink was the top fundraiser, collecting \$3,135. She has personally raised more than \$16,000 during the history of the fundraiser. The top team was the Stella Bellas, who raised more than \$1,400 and Laurie Curry was the poken run winner.

"I am truly amazed how our tiny community supports its neighbours in such a huge way time and time again," said organizer Dale Bull.

**Chad Ingram** Staff



Top, participants could purchase flowers and name them in honour of lost loved ones to be planted in a memorial garden.

Volunteer Shirley Holmes, right, was greeting people as they pulled their poker hands.



The weather co-operated as hikers headed out on the track at the high school.

## County expects to have Rail Trail resolution in June

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

County council is hoping to finalize a new strategy for the Haliburton County Rail Trail in June.

That was the word at an April 25 council meeting where community planning consultant Kate Hall, who was hired by the county to conduct an in-depth public input process around the use of the corridor, was back in council chambers.

She noted it had been a year since she first appeared in front of the county's economic development committee to offer her services to conduct an input process that centred around community development.

"So I thought I'd come back today and just bring that full-circle," Hall said, as she reviewed core principles of community development with council, including participation

and shared meaning. "What does this place or space mean to me and us as a community?"

Hall's process involved 1,300 people completing some substantial surveys as well as public workshops where barriers to trail use and solutions to those barriers were brainstormed.

In March, she presented the economic development committee with a lengthy list of resulting recommendations and it is those recommendations councillors will be discussing as they construct a new strategy for the trail.

"We all want to get this done fairly quickly and we all want to be involved in it," said Dysart et al Reeve and county Warden Murray Fearrey, as he put forth a suggestion on how the process should move forward.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt had been part of a steering group that assisted Hall with the project and Fearrey suggested that Moffatt meet with the county's deputy-reeves (the economic development committee consists of the county's four reeves) to get their perspectives.

That way, Fearrey reasoned, the county could "start to

put together what the commitments are that we're going to have to start to make as staff and as councillors down the road."

That plan would come back to the economic development for consideration.

While all eight members of county council could discuss the issue together, Fearrey thought a conversation with eight voices seemed chaotic.

His colleagues seemed fine with his suggestion and Hall said she was willing to be present for the conversation between Moffatt and the deputy-reeves.

There was once a Rail Trail advisory committee comprised of councillors and trail stakeholders, but it came off the tracks in 2009.

Since that time, the issue of the Rail Trail has been the domain of the economic development committee.

For years, there was feuding between motorized and non-motorized users of the trail, the county's portion of which stretches 34 kilometres from Haliburton Village to Kinmount.

# Mysterious squirrel baffles

Darren Lum  
Staff reporter

A short-haired squirrel is leaving questions in its wake after a chance visit with a Miskwabi Lake resident.

Frank Robertson, who has been a full-time resident for 18 years, submitted a set of photos to the *Echo*, hoping to find answers about this mysterious visitor.

"When I got closer I had a look at the head. It was red and the tail was red so it's obviously a red squirrel," he said.

Initially, he thought it was mange (skin disease caused by a parasitic mite).

He first saw the squirrel with short hair, specifically isolated to the body and legs, a few weeks ago when he was out getting birdseed. The Haliburton postal worker had never seen anything like it and at first thought it was a white squirrel.

Robertson said it is the same size as a typical red squirrel, but is not as timid.

The photos have since been forwarded to a local veterinarian and the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR), who have weighed in on the debate.

Gerry Moraal, MNR area biologist for Minden Area and Bancroft District, had never seen or heard about anything like it in his 35 years of experience.

After a search on the Internet, he believes it could be a fungal disease, which causes the hair to be short instead of falling out completely, or could be related to a genetic defi-



Frank Robertson, a Miskwabi Lake resident, photographed this red squirrel with short hair a few weeks ago and didn't know what caused the abnormality. It's left many questions.  
/Photo submitted

ciency that causes hair follicles to be barren, or non-functioning, leaving a bald patch.

A quick glance at the photo for Haliburton veterinarian Laurie Brown didn't reveal anything concrete. She thought it could be related to mange problem or a defect.

The squirrel visited various times of the day for two

weeks during which Robertson made sure to document the strange sight.

"That's when I thought I should get a picture of this. It's so weird," he said.

It has not returned since the appearance of a domestic cat, he said.

## Minden Hills will share costs for joint project

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It looks likely the county will sell the portion of the property it does not use.

"It's very pretty, but I'm a little concerned about the roof line," said Warden Murray Fearrey. "You've got valleys coming down over a door here."

Fearrey said that a straight roof line, one less ornate than the one shown in the sketches, could still be attractive.

"The purpose of these [drawings] is really to illustrate sort of the general mass of the building," Awde said, adding that more specific elements of design would be presented and discussed at a later time.

Cost estimates had been done at \$250 a square foot, which Fearrey thought might be a little conservative, adding he thought a cost of \$300 or more per square foot was probably closer to reality.

Minden Hills Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch wanted to know if there is an existing building like the one from Awde's drawing and he said there was a base in Port Carling that is similar.

"It's a great-looking building," Dysart et al Deputy-reeve Bill Davis said.

Highlands East Deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge wanted to know if the firm was looking at environmentally friendly technologies, along with geothermal heating.

Awde said technologies using rain water collection and other renewable energy systems would be available.

Part three of the property contains a creek and Davis wondered what was being done to address that.

"Have we met the requirements for the [Ministry of Transportation] or Ministry of Environment where that water's being diverted there, across the road?" he asked.

The county still has to conduct geo-technical and hydro-geological studies on the property, the latter of which would deal with the small water body.

"It is probably important that we don't have a conservation authority that may have jurisdiction over that creek," Awde said.

County roads director Doug Ray said the Department of Fisheries and Oceans had no serious concerns and said the

creek was formed by storm water runoff.

"It's dry half the time," he said.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt thought it made sense for the county to retain the portion of the property with the creek on it.

"In terms of deciding which part anything might be built on, we've just publicly declared that there's a water issue on part three, which I think would preclude a mad rush of people to purchase said piece of property," Moffatt said.

Awde said the county would need more hard information before it could be determined if there was really a problem with the creek.

Partridge said the county was at a disadvantage without a conservation authority because it doesn't have access to historical flood data like some communities.

"That's something I think we have to think pretty hard about and make sure there's sufficient capacity," she said.

Ray pointed out that the storm water running through the property was because of Ministry of Transportation design.

The geo-technical study is expected to cost between \$10,000 and \$20,000, the hydro-geological study in a similar range, but Awde pointed out the county would be able to save money if it has the studies performed together.

Reid and Murdoch indicated that Minden Hills is dedicated to the partnership and Fearrey said he'd like to see some money from the township in terms of land expense.

The county paid \$385,000 for the five-acre property in 2010.

"We would have to go back to our council," Reid said. "This was a county decision to purchase this land."

A formal agreement must be signed and both Reid and Fearrey were confident a suitable one would be reached.

According to Awde, a combined base will equal savings of \$230,000 and \$100,000 in operational costs over 20 years.

Council is hoping to have plans completed by the fall so it can be shovel-ready whenever grants might be made available.

# Biking club sets tracks in the Highlands

Angelica Blenich  
Staff reporter

The gears are set and the wheels are in motion. There's a new club in town and it's hitting the trails without looking back.

The Haliburton Highlands Mountain Bike Club plans to enhance and promote riding throughout the county in a safe and positive way.

Formed during the past few months, the club was spearheaded by a group of like-minded individuals with a passion for travelling over rugged terrain.

The goal of the club is to establish a network of mountain bike trails along with creating a mapped and signed trail system at Glebe Park, allowing riders of all levels to participate in the sport.

The club's executive consists of president Blake Paton, secretary Darren Lum, treasurer Andrea Whaling Butera, membership officer Corey Pietryszy and team co-ordinator Owen Flood.

The inspiration for such a club came from a desire to create a trail system and reach out to the youth of the area and the cycling community, said Paton in an email.

A road cyclist and racer since before the invention of mountain bikes, Paton got into the sport in the mid 1980s.

He was approached by a member of the Glebe Park management committee to consider helping them create a formal trail system.

At the same time an outside organization was looking to host a cycling event in the area, but was looking for single-track trails to use for their races.

The plans were set in motion and a vision took shape.

By creating a network of trails and signage for not only direction, but level of difficulty, the executive believes users of all levels will be able to access and easily navigate the trails, therefore enjoying mountain biking.

The club is a not-for-profit organization that aims to bring more education and awareness of mountain biking to the Highlands, according to their formal proposal to council.

At an April 23 meeting of council, Dysart et al passed a resolution approving the signage and granted the club permission to develop trails at the park and on municipal land.

The club is affiliated with the International Mountain Bike Association, giving them access to technical support and liability insurance, according to Paton.

Paton's desire to see a club like this formed in Haliburton was derived from two factors.

"First, I want to see kids on bikes. Our roads don't have enough bike lanes yet, although we all see the need to develop them as opportunities arise. That means that a great place for kids (and adults) to ride are on the trails. It was a matter of developing better trail access," he said.



Angelica Blenich Staff

Mountain biking enthusiasts gather at the entrance to Glebe Park on April 25 to head out on an evening ride. From left to right, Andrea Whaling Butera, Owen Flood, Trey Kyle, Corey Pietryszy, Jeff Strano, Neal Ross-Ross and Nolan Flood.

In addition to promoting riding to youth, Paton would also like to see the area become a cycling hub, believing great mountain bike trails are a part of that. "I think that down the road we may be able to host provincial and national level races here. All the elements are here."

The club plans to develop single-track trails, which have the lowest environmental impact due to their small width.

The club will be offering memberships with a set fee for the season, while day passes will also be available at \$10. Honesty boxes will be in place along the trails for non-members to use.

Open to people of all ages, the club wants to encourage camaraderie amongst riders out enjoying the trails, said Whaling Butera.

"What's great about the club is it's a very non-intimidating approach to mountain biking, which is another objective of ours. To get people who have maybe never tried it before to come out," she said.

Surrounded by the abundant wilderness of the High-

lands, executive members think Haliburton can and should really promote its trails to those within and beyond the county.

For Paton the signage is just the beginning of an exciting road, or trail, ahead.

"We have a great opportunity and a big challenge. We can expand and develop a great trail system that will provide a great recreational facility at virtually no cost to the public. I hope that system will become a key part of attracting riders and economic growth to the area," he said.

Haliburton Indoor Cycling will be hosting a fundraiser spinathon on May 12 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. to support the Haliburton Highlands Mountain Bike Club.

The fundraiser will offer four, one-hour classes with a minimum \$15 donation. All proceeds will go to the club to help with initial costs such as signage and website development. A website is planned, but until it is completed there is a Haliburton Highlands Mountain Bike Club Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/#/haliburtonhighlandsmountainbikeclub](http://www.facebook.com/#/haliburtonhighlandsmountainbikeclub)).



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# points of view

## Coming home

THEY WERE CLAMOURING up to the front to shake his hand.

The questions went on and on similar to Grade 3 students eager to learn more.

Hank DeBruin was in the spotlight and it wasn't for the first time.

The local musher who recently completed the Iditarod, a grueling 1,000-mile trek across the scenic yet unforgiving Alaskan terrain, has become a celebrity and not just in Haliburton County.

This past week DeBruin along with wife Tanya McCready-DeBruin relived the experience for those lucky enough to live in Haliburton, the same place the dogsledding couple call home.

Anyone who has completed the famous race knows it is not an easy journey.

DeBruin, who typically weighs 150 pounds, lost 14 pounds during the six-day race. The last time he competed it was 25.

He got no more than one and a half hours of sleep during every 24-hour period.

Racing some days in minus 60 degree weather, DeBruin ate raw seal fat at one point just to keep him warm. And lots of bacon.

Most days he would wear two pairs of long johns, hugging his skin under a pair of wool pants.

But the race wasn't about him.

Anyone who knows the musher well knows for DeBruin, it's all about the dogs.

Throughout his stories he consistently praised his dogs, calling them his heroes. They are the ultimate athletes, he said.

Athletes they undeniably are, however the spotlight should not be shifted from DeBruin himself, even though that's how he would prefer it.

An ambassador to this community, DeBruin has promoted the Haliburton Highlands in a way no marketing campaign or website advertisement ever could.

Moments prior to the start of the Iditarod an Alaskan newspaper snapped an endearing photo of the musher giving his dog a hug.

The photo appeared in 16 newspapers worldwide, all with the words Haliburton, Canada, attached in the tagline.

But it's not for the glory or fame that DeBruin races, instead it is for those rare, intimate moments with his dogs.

His heroes.

Running the race is a mental exercise.

For DeBruin his focus was on each checkpoint, telling himself he was completing 20 short races.

During those six grueling days in March people scattered throughout the county, province and country were following DeBruin's progress.

Translated, Iditarod means, "a far place."

But for us in Haliburton, he is our hometown hero and we're glad to have him back, safe and sound.



Spring tracks

photo by Darren Lum

## Inspiring moments

IT STARTED WITH a deadline, a bit of desperation and a dream. Luckily, it ended well – with a cat that now has recurring nightmares and a large bird that thinks she's hearing voices. But perhaps I should explain.

Essentially, it was a morning like any other. I was stuck in my home office, staring at a blank computer screen and wishing a column would write itself. There were only 30 minutes to deadline and I didn't even have a germ of an idea – as I said, it was a typical morning.

At times like this, a desperate writer can only do one thing. This is why I got out my turkey call.

As most of you probably know, there is nothing like the soothing sounds of a yelping hen turkey to make a person forget about the troubles of the world. Also, if an editor calls to give you crap, a few turkey noises on your end helps garner a bit of sympathy.

Just as importantly, sometimes, when you do this, inspiration suddenly jumps directly in front of your train of thought. True, it derails the train and, by the time you recover the pieces, it is an unrecognizable mess. But – and this is important – it is inspiration, nevertheless.

That's how we professional writers work. And it's just one more reason I think that work ought to pay for my turkey calls, by the way.

To get back to the story, I was turkey calling, as I am apt to do at times like this, and somewhere in the nearby



Steve Galea

Loon Tales

woods, I received a response that sounded just like the turkey I was imitating. And, just like that, it occurred to me that I was not alone. Yes, I thought, somewhere out there is another desperate writer – and he's got nothing too.

Sadly, it just turned out to be a hen turkey. And she promptly stepped out of the woods and walked within 10 feet of my open window.

As you would expect, this caused a predictable series of events to unfold.

For one thing, the cat, who was sitting on the window sill and dreaming of disemboweling small, manageable birds, suddenly doubled in size and was traumatized. This caused me to laugh and partially swallow the turkey call that had been, up to that point, affixed to the roof of my mouth.

Anyone who hunts turkeys knows the ensuing sound but, for those of you who don't, it goes something like, "Achkkkkkk! Ugggh! Achkkkkkk! Puhh!"

This, as you can guess, further confused the turkey, which began doing nervous circles on my lawn, wondering, I suppose, how to make bad voices go away. The cat, having never seen a bird this big, ran off – presumably to the litter box.

Oh, and I found inspiration – with just three minutes to spare. Which brings me back to the most important point I was trying to make – would it kill them to pay for a \$10 turkey call?



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# points of view

## Downsized

**A**DAM WAS FURIOUS. He was so angry he felt disoriented, as though he no longer knew where he was or where to go. When he learned he would be gone from his job, he stood in the middle of his living room, blinking. Then he read it again, thinking he must have missed a crucial sentence. Something to make it right. But there was no mistake. Adam had been downsized.

How could they do this to him he ranted, once the realization had taken hold. "They" was a nebulous group, those with the ability to end his working life of almost 30 years. It was all so horribly impersonal. Adam felt like a part in a machine that someone somewhere had decided was no longer necessary in order for the machine to continue functioning. Or worse, that the machine would work better without the part.

He had a month of holidays owed to him and that combined with a modest severance package was supposed to make him feel better about losing his livelihood. The fury kept surging in his gut until he could no longer stand it and so Adam decided to go away for the weekend. Change the scenery, change the channel, he thought.

As he headed north out of the city, his grip on the steering wheel remained tense. Cars, buses and trucks hemmed him in on every side and he felt like shouting at them to get out of his way. He had just been fired and needed some respect. Back off world. Of course they paid him no heed. He was just another driver in a sea of drivers. The miles slipped away and his grip on the steering wheel loosened a little. Adam allowed himself to think of the next few days at the cottage. It was still early spring so unlikely anyone would be around. This suited him fine because the last thing he wanted this weekend was to put on a friendly interested face to friends or family. He wanted to crawl into the cottage and lick his wounds in solitude. He'd have to draw water from the lake because his plumbing system was still winterized. Thank goodness for the old outhouse. At least there were some things in life he could still count on. Like the outhouse. And the water in the lake. Adam couldn't help but smile at this thought. Man he was really feeling sorry for himself. Then the justifiable anger returned and he slapped the steering wheel with his open palm. Damn he had every right to be mad. The cottage looked different. A little rundown, a little sad and lonely perched amid the scraps of fall and winter. Several small branches had been blown to the ground and a few hours of raking were needed to lose the desolate feeling. Or was that his own mood projected unto the old structure? It was frigid inside so the first thing Adam did was open all the windows to invite the spring afternoon air inside. Surprisingly there were no signs of mice or else he just hadn't found any yet. He threw his bag down on the bed, put the few groceries away and then walked down to the lake to fill the pail. The air smelled good. Traces of pine and cedar mixed with the slightly metallic hint of sun-baked granite as he strode over the soft earth. A flurry of finches were clustered in a willow bush before exploding into flight as he walked by. Crouching on the old rock, he bent over and dipped the edge of the pail into the lake. Immediately the water slid in, sparkling in the sunshine. With the pail full, Adam leaned back then sat down. He had known this rock all his life. Pushing off from it in the summer, he had thrust himself toward the centre of the bay, arms reaching out to pull his body forward. There had been skinny dips in the moonlight when he had held the edge of the rock and looked up at the stars, the cool water slipping over and around every part of him. Then it came to him. The truth of his situation pushed away the angry/scared/sad feelings to reveal what was real at that moment in his life. He would survive this, as he had survived all those other difficult times before. His brain and body were still working fairly well. He lived in one of the better places in the world. And there was much to take pleasure in when he remembered to look.



**Sharon Lynch**  
Down our Road



pic of the past

**H**orse-drawn wooden van to bring kids to Gooderham School in the 1940s. (Relating to "A Gooderham Story" which ran last week in the paper). If you have a pic of the past you'd like to submit, bring it to the Echo at 146 Highland Street.

### letters to the editor

## Put health first

### To the Editor,

MP Barry Devolin is acting recklessly, putting his community members' health at risk. He is supporting legislation that will reduce food safety oversight and make major cuts to the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA).

Canadians remember the devastating impact on many families from deaths caused by the Listeriosis outbreaks. We know that more needs to be done to protect consumers, but in a callous and misguided move the Conservatives are making the problem worse.

They have decided to cut food inspectors and eliminate programs designed to proactively identify unsafe meat and other food products.

Bowing to industry pressure, Conservatives are also eliminating enforcement of product labelling in spite of widespread violations.

Consumers will now be responsible for determining whether companies' claims about nutritional information, such as levels of cholesterol, sodium and sugar, are true. For those with serious health conditions like peanut allergies or diabetes, false claims could prove deadly.

Waiting for Canadians to get sick is not a food safety strategy.

Liberals are opposing these cuts because Canadians deserve to know that food they buy at the grocery store is safe and that manufacturers' health claims are true. I encourage Mr. Devolin to reverse his reckless position and put Canadians' health first.

**Frank Valeriote, MP**  
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## Is it a misfit?

### To the Editor,

A Tim Hortons in Haliburton — is it a misfit? Where will it be located in Haliburton? There's a Tim Hortons 20 minutes from Haliburton located in Minden next door to the gas station on the north side of four-lane Highway 35 which has wide shoulders to accommodate the flow of traffic. Provincial Hwy. 118 is Haliburton's two-lane flow-through highway where travellers and residents would expect to find a drive-through coffee shop like Tim's.

Haliburton Village usually experiences traffic congestion on busy holiday weekends, so a Hwy. 118 location for Tim Hortons seems more suitable to allow folks to relax with their coffee, safely enter and exit the establishment, assuming that the entrance/exit would be located in a widened four-lane section of the highway. Also, a reduced speed zone may increase the safety factor for drivers. What benefits does a Tim Hortons bring to our community? Jobs and taxes are the obvious economic benefits to Dysart et al. And a nearby location for Tim Hortons fans to frequent.

Although, Tim Hortons' pay rates are on the lower side of the scale, many folks would be happy to be employed in this service industry and earn a regular/part-time income. What are the detriments? Inevitably, there would be pollution — a significant increase in exhaust fumes, an increase in noise levels from vehicles and the audible ordering system, and an increase in night-light pollution and the litter along the roadway. Another consideration is the cost to establish safe traffic access by widening the two-lane highway into four lanes in the vicinity of the entrance/exit. Is Tim Hortons a fit for Haliburton? An appropriately located Tim Hortons on Highway 118 zoned for commercial use would encourage other business to locate in the vicinity. This already exists on Hwy. 118 west of the village where we have Sears, The Haliburton Funeral Home, Marty's Health Foods, to mention a few.

The streets, roads and avenues that constitute the core of our village have their own charm and purpose, with a mix of mostly residential on the outskirts and commercial in the core. So let's maintain them as the current official plan and zoning dictates, while giving our civic planners an opportunity to develop an appropriate plan for future expansion to accommodate Tim Hortons and other commerce.

**Michael Kursbatt**  
Haliburton

# Intro to geocaching is intro to adventure

**Barbara Shaw**  
Special to the Echo

Andy Gray loves geocaching. He didn't understand what it was a few years ago but then his daughter, a cacher, took him out for his first adventure and he was hooked.

Now he wants to share the love.

Gray is offering a free workshop on May 6 for anyone and everyone who wants to learn how to participate in this global phenomenon. All treasure hunters and adventurers welcome.

Geocaching is a real-world outdoor treasure hunting game. Players try to locate hidden containers, called geocaches, using GPS-enabled devices and then share their experiences online. The game is played through three components: browse, discover and share.

First cachers browse online to find directions to caches that are near where they want to explore. Then the hunt begins and as the cacher is looking for the treasure, there

is the resulting discovery of being outdoors and all that entails. Once the cache is found, everyone is encouraged to share their story online.

On May 6 Gray is going to not only teach the newbies how to play the game but he's also been out hiding new caches for the event.

"It's a lot of fun," Gray says. "It gets people active and you have to walk and it's a good way to get out and do something."

Once you locate the cache you're searching for you might find some trinket inside or better yet- a travel bug.

"Travel bugs are great," Gray says. "You get a dog tag and engrave a serial number on it and you attach it to something and you put it in the cache. When someone finds it they record it and then they move it to another cache and it's all posted on a web page and the owner gets an email saying where the item has gone."

Gray's daughter left a travel bug in Cardiff and it's travelled over 20,000 kilometres to the Northwest Territories, Cuba, England and now Utah.

Gray has done the same thing but with coins and of the two he has put into circulation one was lost in Quebec and one has traveled to the top of a mountain in BC and is now in Washington State.

Gray is excited to talk about the bugs and even the caches that have eluded him.

"There are quite a few and they're very creative," he says. "You get better as you do this but you still get stumped."

The community of cachers is tight and each has their own name. Gray goes by Partsman 41.

"I used to work in auto parts," he laughs. "The 41 is how old I tell people I am but it's really my year of birth."

Gray suggests people sign up early for the workshop that is being hosted by Community Futures as space is limited. The event runs from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the CFDC in Bancroft and lunch and loaner GPS units will be supplied.

Once people know how to play the game the possibilities are endless with many caches in and around Bancroft and in Wilberforce, the official geocaching capital of Canada.

## Haliburton Legion recognizes youth at awards ceremony

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

They were asked to depict what war meant to them.

On April 20, the Haliburton Legion Branch 129 hosted its annual youth education awards night to recognize outstanding achievements for literature, art and public speaking.

Hosted by youth education chairman Brian Hambly, the ceremony congratulates winners of the Remembrance Day contest with trophies and certificates.

This year several winners of the local contest went on to compete at the district and provincial level, exemplifying the talent within a small community.

Winners included:

**Poem Contest**  
Intermediate Category (Grades 7, 8, 9)  
1st - Victoria Hawley  
Junior Category (Grades 4, 5, 6)  
1st - Maya Lucia Meraw  
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3rd - Antonina Gagliano

**Essay Contest**  
Intermediate Category (Grades 7, 8, 9)  
1st - Victoria Hawley  
Junior Category (Grades 4, 5, 6)  
1st - Christopher Draper  
2nd - Kayla Bird

**Poster Contest - Black and White**  
Intermediate Category (Grades 7, 8, 9)  
1st - Cassandra Stoughton  
2nd - Brooke Stevenson  
3rd - Kenndal Marsden

**Junior Category (Grades 4, 5, 6)**  
1st - Josh Bellefleur  
2nd - Zachary Williams  
3rd - Massie Marchant

**Primary Category (Grades 1, 2, 3)**  
1st - Aaron Bellefleur  
2nd - Emily Alexander  
3rd - Latty Porter

**Poster Contest - Colour**



**Angelica Blenich** Staff

The annual youth education awards night held on April 20 at the Haliburton Legion presented winners in the literary, poster and public speaking categories with certificates and trophies.

The awards were presented by Legion youth education chairman Brian Hambly, far left, to students in primary grades through to high school. The Remembrance Day contest asked students to depict what war meant to them.

**Intermediate Category (Grades 7, 8, 9)**  
1st - Noelle Russell  
2nd - Alyssa McKenzie Bogan  
3rd - Naomi Russell

**Junior Category (Grades 4, 5, 6)**  
1st - Josh Bellefleur  
2nd - Lauren Urquhart  
3rd - Kendra Mintz

**Primary Category (Grades 1, 2, 3)**  
1st - Aaron Bellefleur  
2nd - Mikala Lily-Ann O'Neill  
3rd - Lexie Bridfman

**Public Speaking Results**

**Senior Category (Grades 10, 11, 12)**  
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3rd - Kayla Bird

**Primary Category (Grades 1, 2, 3)**  
1st - Olivia Johnson  
2nd - Kristina Barry  
3rd - Hailee Rogers

# A little pain for big reward

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

Grumbling teenage bellies echoed in the Highlands last week all for a worthy cause.

There were close to 50 participants in the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School's sixth year of the 30-Hour Famine, who gave up food between 4 p.m. on April 23 until 10 p.m. on April 24.

A little more than \$2,000 was raised and will help aid World Vision in bringing clean water to the Democratic Republic of Congo. Other years the event has assisted with raising money for food, child safety and the reduction of poverty.

As in other years, the participating students helped to collect non-perishables for the 4Cs Food Bank. This year's collection amounted to close to an SUV worth of food.

Stuart Baker Elementary School students and parents were the beneficiaries of a fun night on the last evening, which offered soccer, arts and crafts and other activities.

The fund and food-raising event ended with a dinner for 30-Hour Famine participants at 10 p.m. on April 24.



Above, the laughter was non-stop, as children were treated to games, activities and face painting.

Below, the participating high school students facilitated children's activities and games, raising money for the event.



**Photos by  
Darren Lum**

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School students, who participated in the World Vision's 30 Hour Famine last week, raise their arms, mimicking the dance characters on a Nintendo Wii game during the event's fun night held at the school on Tuesday, April 24.

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# Piano duo bring extraordinary talent to Haliburton

**Len Pizsey**

Special to the *Echo*

When internationally renowned pianist Lucille Chung sat down at the C7 Yamaha at Haliburton's Northern Lights Pavilion a year and a half ago, she created one of the most memorable concerts in the history of the Haliburton Highlands Concert Series.

She returns next week, this time with her husband and piano partner Alessio Bax, for what is certain to be an extraordinary evening of four-hand piano repertoire. As soloists the couple have forged wide-ranging and highly acclaimed international careers.

Together, they have become one of the most accomplished and highly regarded one-piano, four-hand duos on the concert stage.

As soloists, Bax and Chung have an extraordinary resume. Both are in constant demand as soloists, concerto performers and as a piano duo, around the world.

Born in Bari, Italy and the youngest ever graduate of the music conservatory of his home town, Bax won the 1997 Hamamatsu International piano competition in Japan, where he first met Lucille Chung, and went on to take top prize at the Leeds International piano competition, one

of the world's most prestigious. To date he has performed concertos with more than 90 orchestras world wide.

Chung made her orchestral debut with the Montreal symphony at the age of 10, and before she was 20, had graduated from both the Juilliard School of Music and the Curtis Institute in the U.S. In 1989 she was first prize winner in the Stravinsky International Piano Competition.

Since then, she has performed in more than 30 countries. Her intellectual accomplishments are not focused solely on music. However, she also speaks fluent English, French, Korean, Italian, German and Russian.

Reached at the couple's home in New York, where they were spending a few hours of quiet time, having flown in from Egypt the night before and preparing to fly to Moncton later in the day, Chung explained why she accepted a return engagement in Haliburton.

"I had a really wonderful experience. The audience was great, the organizers were wonderful, so when they invited me back, I told my husband about it. And of course, what we love to do is perform together and to play this beautiful, intimate music which is part of the four-hand, one-piano repertoire. And playing together is an added bonus for us."

The duo will open their concert with Igor Stravinsky's ballet score, "Petrushka." Although composed originally

for orchestra and first performed in 1911, Stravinsky transcribed the score for four hands, preserving its rich orchestral character and wide-ranging tonal palette.

"It's one the pieces that we perform the most in our repertoire of four hands. We toured Russia with it on the trans Siberian train all the way from Moscow to the far east."

"It's a piece that we hold very dear to our hearts," she says. "It's just so colourful and dynamic."

"Stravinsky wrote so beautifully for four hands," she explains. In many four-hand transcriptions of orchestral music subtleties are sacrificed, "but in this one, you can hear the inner voices ... everything can be heard, and that's why it's a wonderful transcription."

The second half of the program will include 16 waltzes, Op. 39 by Johannes Brahms. Encompassing a wide range of major and minor keys, the music is lush, romantic and intimate enlivened by the thrust of the three-beats-to-a-bar waltz pattern.

The couple will conclude their performance with their own four-hand transcription of tangos by Argentinian composer Astor Piazzolla.

While the concert, which takes place Sunday evening, May 6, is largely sold out, some tickets may still be available through Brenda Robinson, 705-457-2695.

## Highlighting talent

Photos by Darren Lum



Stuart Baker Elementary School teacher and conductor, Dan Lee, directs the school's choir with Marie Watson on piano during the Haliburton Highlands Music Festival Highlights Concert held at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton on Thursday, April 26. The choir sang "Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah" and "Coulter's Candy." Lee, a fixture for the music program at SBES, was announced as a Trillium Lakelands District School Board Character Award recipient.



Kurtis Adams plays "Starfish at Night" by Anne Crosby on the piano.



Nancy Moffatt, who was accompanied by her father Rod Moffitt on piano, sings "God Help the Outcasts" from the Hunchback of Notre Dame.

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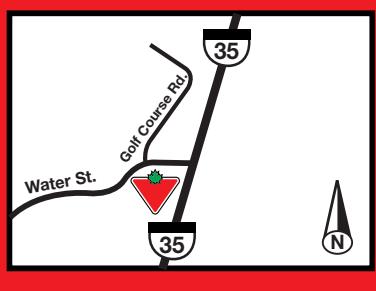
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# Sweet story shows off community

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

Listen carefully this week and you just might hear an Oompa Loompa singing.

For the first time ever J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School students will stage *Willy Wonka Junior* – deviating slightly from the original with simpler dialogue for a younger cast.

Peggy Flowers, play director, said this has been long in coming, as students have wanted to perform this show for several years. The familiarity of its music like "Candy Man" and "(I've Got A) Golden Ticket" was also another reason for choosing this show, she said.

This is the school's ninth annual theatrical performance, but the first staging of the children's classic. They have performed *Oliver*, *Wizard of Oz* and *The Jungle Book* to name a few.

More than 30 students from Grade 4 to 8 stage the show, including a stage crew. They have been rehearsing since January and will bring life to well-known characters such as the Candy Man, played by Chris Draper, Willy Wonka, played by Robbie Hall, Charlie Bucket, played by Kayla Bird, and the Oompa Loompas.

Flowers said the script used for this performance is closer to the original motion

picture, *Willy Wonka and Chocolate Factory*, then the recent Tim Burton incarnation, starring Johnny Depp.

The movie and the JDHES show are based on the Roald Dahl written story, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. It is about an eccentric candy maker looking for an heir to run his factory.

After nine years as director, Flowers hasn't had time to enjoy the anniversary.

"It's exciting, but it's also very stressful because we have a lot to do," she said.

This particular show is prop heavy, she adds.

Flowers said none of this would be possible without the community's help such as Curtis Eastmure from Highlands Little Theatre with lighting, Brenda Eastmure, as stage manager, Louis McIntyre and Lorie Reddering with choreography and Kevin Buchanan with sound, including the support of parents.

"It's like a full community effort," she said. "Its many hands make light work. It's a full community, school project for sure."

There will be two evening performances, both at 7 p.m., held at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on Wednesday, May 2 and Thursday May 3.

General admission is \$5 and tickets can be purchased at the office of JDHES.



**Darren Lum** Staff

Violet Beauregarde, as played by Ainsley Little, emotes for her character in a rehearsal for *Willy Wonka Junior*, as staged by the students of J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School. The show is this Wednesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. and is at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

## 'Man of a thousand songs' comes to Haliburton County

With a songwriting career that spans more than 30 years, Ron Hynes is a six-time East Coast Music Award winner, a Genie Award winner and a past Juno, CCMA and Canadian Folk Music Awards nominee. He's been recipient of both Artist of The Year and the prestigious Arts Achievement Award from the Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council, as well as a Lifetime Achievement Award from the St. John's Folk Arts Council.

Hynes also holds an Honorary PhD from Memorial University for his songwriting and contribution to the cultural life of his beloved home province of Newfoundland.

Frequently referred to as the "man of a thousand songs", Hynes's songs have been covered by dozens of artists worldwide, including Emmylou Harris, Murray McLauchlan, Valdy, John McDermott, Prairie Oyster and most recently, classical soprano Hayley Westenra. He is arguably best known for the oft-recorded unofficial

Newfoundland anthem, "Sonny's Dream".

In the fall of 2010, Hynes's new CD "Stealing Genius" was released by Borealis Records to remarkable critical praise. In addition, the feature film about Ron's life, *The Man of a Thousand Songs* debuted at the Toronto International Film Festival to capacity audiences.

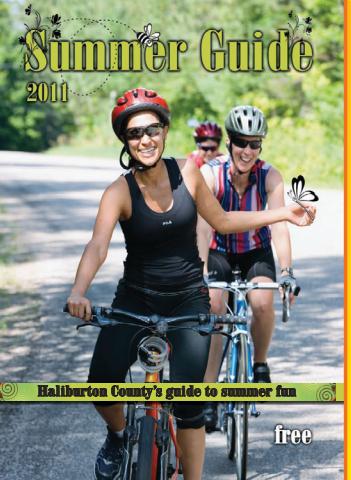
Hynes's upcoming concert, following recent sold out shows by both David Archibald and Dave Gunning, continues the Haliburton County Folk Society's tradition of bringing this country's finest folk musicians to this country's best audiences. Run, don't walk! Tickets are very limited.

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# County gets new doctor

Haliburton County is getting a new physician.

Algonquin Highlands Deputy-reeve Liz Daniels, who chairs the county's health care professional recruitment committee, made the announcement at an April 25

county council meeting.

Daniels said no decisions had been made about where the doctor should be stationed.

- *Chad Ingram*

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## Saying goodbye

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Haliburton County Warden Murray Fearrey, left, presented retiring economic development and tourism director Bob Smith with a clock at an April 25 council meeting, Smith's last. Smith had worked for the county since 2005.



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# Council approves draft plan for Tim Hortons

Angelica Blenich  
Staff reporter

*The following are brief reports of items discussed at the April 23 meeting of Dysart et al council.*

Dysart council has approved a draft site plan that would see a drive-through Tim Hortons built in Haliburton Village.

The application by TDL Group Corporation outlines plans to build a 39-seat restaurant on County Road 21, with parking located behind the proposed building. Councillor Andrea Roberts questioned if the site plan could accommodate large trucks entering through the drive-through and off of County Road 21.

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"The county is currently looking at that," said Pat Martin, director of municipal planning.

### Arts council rents office from municipality

The Haliburton Highlands Arts Council will be moving to a new location.

Council approved a lease agreement with the organization, letting them rent office space from the municipality at a rate of \$100 per month.

The 120-square foot office is located at 14072 Mountain Street. The agreement comes into effect on June 1, 2012 and is in place until May 2017. The Arts Council is moving from its current location of 153 Mallard Road, in Industrial Park.

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# Hank DeBruin recounts Iditarod experience to community

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

It was a 1,000-mile trek that included frozen terrain, unimaginable temperatures and grueling mental determination.

For Hank DeBruin, it was an indescribable journey.

When the local musher completed the famous Iditarod trek through Alaska this past March, many throughout Haliburton County and beyond followed his progress.

On April 26 DeBruin relived the experience at the Haliburton Legion during an appreciation night hosted by the Haliburton District Lions Club.

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey extended congratulations to DeBruin on behalf of the municipality.

"If I had a key to the town I'd give it to you," said Fearrey.

The reeve commended DeBruin and his wife Tanya McCready-DeBruin for their ongoing support of the county and for continuously promoting it.

Owners and operators of Winterdance Dogsled Tours, DeBruin and McCready-DeBruin shared their stories and anecdotes of the unforgettable Iditarod journey through photos and words.

Costing the pair between \$40,000 and \$50,000 to participate in, the Iditarod became a vehicle for the local musher to showcase his Canadian pride.

"As you started the race you'd hear people singing *O'Canada*," said McCready-DeBruin. "We certainly were loud about being Canadian."

Moments prior to the start of the race a photo of DeBruin hugging one of his dogs was snapped by an Alaskan newspaper.

The image appeared in 16 newspapers around the world, all with the words Haliburton, Canada attached in the tagline, according to McCready-DeBruin.

But for DeBruin the race wasn't about the fame, instead pointing to his dogs as the reason behind his love for mushing.

"These dogs are my heroes, they are incredible athletes," he said.

Racing in temperatures dipping as low as -60 degrees C, DeBruin relied on two pairs of long johns, wool pants, and multiple layers of waterproof gear to keep him warm.

Yet sometimes even that wasn't enough.

"It's tough dressing yourself for -60 degrees C," said DeBruin.

The racer relied on a steady supply of fatty foods, such as bacon, to help keep him insulated.

The constant motion also helped.

"You don't stop, you're always moving," he said.

Weighing about 150 pounds, DeBruin lost 14 pounds during the Iditarod. When he competed the same race two years ago he lost 25.

Running a course that takes multiple days to complete, the race was a mental one, with DeBruin looking at the nearest checkpoint instead of the finish line.

"I look at it as 20 small races. If you think about it as 1,000 miles, that is scary," he said.

Throughout it all the dogs remained the No. 1 priority for the musher, who began the race with 16 and finished with 10.

Averaging an hour and a half of sleep during every 24-hour period, DeBruin said it's amazing what six days of little

sleep will result in.

"You start to see things that don't exist and you believe they do."

Preferring to run the race alone, DeBruin's sled was outfitted with emergency equipment, such as a sleeping bag, first aid kits, extra food and GPS tracker.

In tough situations it's important to stay calm, he said.

"As soon as you get a little nervous the dogs feed off of you."

If a dog is unable to finish the race, they are picked up at the next checkpoint by Iditarod officials in a bush plane.

To help keep them warm the dogs wear coats and booties during the journey.

DeBruin's team of dogs went through about 1,600 booties by the end of the Iditarod.

Before he crossed the finish line DeBruin stopped to thank his dogs for what they'd done.

Asked if he'd compete again DeBruin said it was dependent on finding the necessary funding, adding if he had it he would sign up instantly.

Iditarod translates to "a far place," but here in Haliburton County, DeBruin will always find a home.

"About a month ago we all followed Hank and we're proud of what he did," said Haliburton Lion Jim Frost. "We want to thank Hank for the determination you've shown."



**Angelica Blenich** Staff

Local musher Hank DeBruin, far right, shows Barry Willhelm how he stayed warm when racing the Iditarod through Alaska this past March while DeBruin's wife Tanya McCready-DeBruin watches in amusement. DeBruin shared stories of his Alaskan adventure at an appreciation night on April 26 at the Haliburton Legion, hosted by the Haliburton District Lions Club.

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# Watercolours site plan gets thumbs up from council

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

The condominium planned for the corner of Highway 118 is back on Dysart et al council's radar as the municipality approved the draft site plan for the Watercolours development at their April 23 meeting.

The Watercolours file has been ongoing since 2008, with several changes made since developers submitted their first application.

The draft site plan includes changing the original proposal from 150 units to 134.

While a staff report by director of municipal planning Pat Martin advised council not to approve the residential building's site plan, council approved it with certain holding conditions in place. The report indicated reservations with the proposed site plan due to issues sustaining water services, in particular that the number of wells required to service the building has not shown on the plan.

Without a proper water source the development could



**Angelica Blenich** Staff

The draft site plan for the proposed Watercolours condominium development was approved by council last week, subject to holding conditions. The proposed property for the development is on Highway 118.

impact the water source of neighbouring landowners, according to the report.

"We had legal clarification that the water was definitely part of the holding conditions and we still have all the rights to see those reports before we approve it," Reeve Murray Fearrey told the paper. Although approved by council, the draft site plan still requires developers to satisfy all the conditions in the holding bylaw, said Martin.

The file was subject to a hearing by the Ontario Municipal Board in March 2009. The board dismissed the appeal, but asked for two things to happen, said Martin.

"First there were some minor changes to the bylaw, which were completed, and then before they [OMB] gave their final order they needed council to approve the site plan. So that's what we're doing now," said Martin.

Stephen Foster made a delegation to council during the meeting to express his concerns with the draft site plan and development.

Foster told council he was concerned about the ground-water testing and an inadequate water supply for the building.

Fearrey informed Foster the water concerns were part of a holding condition on the draft site plan.

Other issues Foster mentioned included necessary agreements with neighbouring property owners, and Fearrey said action was being taken.

"This has been an onerous project, we have put these people through how many changes ... they still have a lot of homework to do and got to sell half these units before they do anything ... They've got a lot of money invested here. As a council we committed from day one on the Watercolours project ... they jumped every hoop we've asked them to jump ... As far as asking them to go back to square one again, that's asking a lot of the developer," said Fearrey.

The reeve said it was up to the developers to complete the necessary studies and obtain the proper permits.

"We as a council have to work with them," he said.

Watercolours was also the subject of a closed session held at the beginning of the council meeting.

The discussion involved council receiving legal advice on interpretations of the planning act, according to chief administrative officer Tamara Wilbee.

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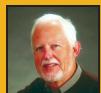


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## The Reeve's Report

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**May 2nd, Carol Moffatt, Reeve of Algonquin Highlands**  
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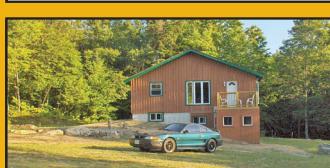
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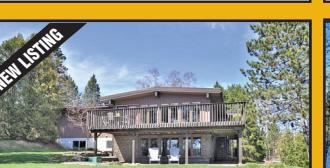
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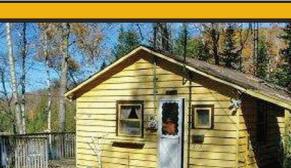
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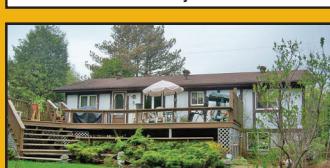
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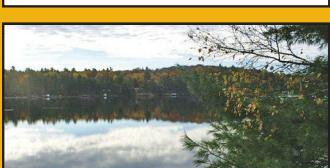
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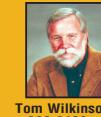
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# Sports

## Junior Red Hawks lose 5-0

Photos by Darren Lum



Red Hawks defender Erica Carmount, right, clears a ball from a Fenelon Falls Secondary School forward.



Red Hawks defender Robyn Albert, left, challenges a Fenelon Falls Secondary School player for a loose ball during the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School's season opener in Haliburton on Friday, April 27. The juniors lost 5-0. Hawks goalkeeper Madison Billings kept things close with solid keeping and alert play, picking up loose balls.



Red Hawks forward Alex Yake takes a swing at a ball.

## COSSA a smashing success

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

It was a solid showing for the senior Red Hawks badminton team at the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics championships.

With three podium finishes, the team tied for first place with host East Northumberland Secondary School with 42

points.

They were led by singles player Darcy Schmidt, first place, mixed-doubles team Jaimie Dack and Bin Chun, third place and boys doubles Brett Yake and Andrew Murray, third place.

Girls doubles team Sandy Griffith and Jessica Duchene finished in fourth place and girls doubles team of Grace Diezel and Jessica Bishop finished in sixth place, respectively.

Schmidt, who beat Port Hope's Brandon Somers in the final, is the only Red Hawks player to advance to the all-provincials in Stratford from May 3 to 5.

### Junior COSSA

Singles player Tom Paul, who was the lone Red Hawks competitor, finished fourth when he played at I.E. Weldon Secondary School on Thursday, April 19.

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Highland snowboarder Greg Foster has his sights on making it to the Olympics. File photo

# Boarder reflects on national experience

**Darren Lum**

Staff reporter

Canadian Olympian.

Although Foster's combined time (2:47.88) was well off his pace, his second run down the course was an improvement of close to 40 seconds.

Greater aggression and "pumping the gates" helped shave off time, he said.

Part of the difficulty was the senior course had two times as many gates and the conditions were far different than what he is used to in the east.

"By the end of the run my quads were burning," he said.

He noticed his board is far too short and his boots need to be larger since a slight growth spurt after he bought them.

With just three months on an alpine board, his mother Lois has the utmost confidence in her son to improve. The senior field included riders from Korea, Japan and the United States.

He believes this experience proved he belongs and with more time on the slopes, which he plans to dedicate next winter to, he knows he will make it.

There is a hope a major sponsor will step forward, but until that happens, collection jars have been put in Haliburton, Minden and Carnarvon.

His mother, who is working on a duathlon fundraiser at Buckwall Cycling Centre, said her husband Kevin Des Roches thought of the idea for jar collections. They are in various locations to help the family with the expected \$40,000 bill for training and related fees. Lois said there are still outstanding bills left from the nationals.

### Racing against a hero

The next day Foster raced in the FIS senior national championships, which included his boyhood idol, Jasey Jay Anderson, who won the race with a combined two run total of 1:40.54.

He noticed his riding style was exactly like Anderson's. Months ago, Foster had refined his alpine riding technique watching YouTube videos of the highly decorated

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# Haliburton artists bring hope to Africa

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

Tory Hill artists are giving their time and skills to an African creative collective who wants to ensure a healthy future for their children.

Twenty-six Rwandan women living with HIV and AIDS, which was contracted during the genocide of 1994, are being given a chance to save their children by earning money blowing glass courtesy of a North American partnership.

This money will enable the women to buy formula to feed their babies instead of breastfeeding to minimize the risk of transferring the virus.

American humanitarian group Manos de Madres (Hands of Mothers) has enlisted the expertise of Tory Hill-based Artech Glass Blowing Studio to not only construct an efficient glassblowing kiln, but to come and teach them everything about glassblowing.

The Artech group, which includes Terry Craig, Jennifer Wanless-Craig and Jake Raynard, are excited at the opportunity, but need help to raise funds for transportation and equipment to achieve their goal.

"We can give our skills to people who don't have that," Wanless-Craig said. This will not only be economically beneficial, but will enable a continuation of their cultural and artistic heritage, she adds.

The group acknowledges the difficult economic climate and hope people can help in any way such as air fare costs covered by air miles.

They all feel as artists, just like tradespeople, giving back to and enabling a community are part and parcel of what and who they are.

With an average cost of \$2,000 for the air fare, the minimum amount of money needed will be \$6,000, not including equipment costs.

Ordinarily some funding would be available through the humanitarian group, but funding rules preclude non-Americans from receiving funding. The situation gets more complicated for hardware and equipment, as anything purchased in the U.S. is eligible to be covered, but not anything outside of America. Every little bit will help in this case.

Online donations can be completed through the Manos de Madres website at [www.manosdemadres.org](http://www.manosdemadres.org).

Currently the American charity group is also working towards fundraising using "Kickstarter," which is an online funding platform for creative projects. It has a definitive goal and total - if all criteria are met a reward (like a copy of what is made or custom experience) is given to donators. If not the money donated is returned.

As artists, the Tory Hill group said this is an exciting opportunity to give back, which will lead to creating a self-reliant community.

The trio of artists want to go in June and plan to be there for 10 days. Travelling there and back will take four days. This two-week period is their usual "down time."

Craig thinks this idea can be duplicated in other communities nearby. He believes other artists from Haliburton Highlands can offer a similar project.

"There's no reason why you as a potter, a photographer, a wood carver can't do this as well. You can take this thing you love to do and go somewhere. You have a passion about it then teach it to other people and give them a future," Craig said.

With Craig and Raynard handling the art instruction, Wanless-Craig has handled the correspondence and the logistics of the project, including resolving issues before they arrive.

Craig said they would start the women with small, simple, glass blown sculptures such as paperweights, sun catchers and cups.



These Rwandan women first met through a preventing mother-to-child transmission program at the Nyacyonga Health Clinic and started creating woven plastic bags.

Manos de Madres started to work with the women of the health clinic in 2010. The American group helped to launch the Nyacyonga Jewelry Initiative, providing materials and training for a line of fabric jewelry. It guaranteed the purchase of all production.

The African women then formed the Ejo Hazaza (meaning tomorrow), a licensed collective, which then used a grant to fund the construction of Rwanda's only kiln.

Several months later this kiln has proven inefficient and has sat dormant for the past several months. Manos de Madres searched for experts to resolve this problem. They searched for glassblowers with not only an understanding and knowledge of how to construct a basic kiln, but to teach the art and a willingness to travel to Africa.

All of the work, through Manos de Madres, is guaranteed with a waiting market in the US.

"That's the thing that is unique about this. They already have all kinds of stores throughout the United States that sell products coming from this community in Rwanda. They just want a different product now," Wanless-Craig said. "That's the bonus. They're not starting from scratch."

When Susan Moinster, who is the co-founder and managing director of Manos de Madres, saw Craig sporting his kilt she knew she had an adventurous candidate.

With time she learned he, his wife and friend were ideal candidates to assist in the endeavor to inspire and bring hope.

"I was struck with the beauty and innovative nature of their work and by the glasses [and other items] that they make out of beer bottles," she said in an email. "As Rwanda produces an iconic beer called Primus and also a new premium beer (Mutzig), I thought that glasses, pitchers [and assorted other things] made from these beer bottles would be a perfect product line for Ejo Hazaza - much more marketable and unique than glass beads."

She is hoping to further the collective's skills and create a sustained economic opportunity with this model.

Craig is confident in his ability with friend Raynard to resolve any issues that may arrive in Africa.

"We problem solve on the fly. We're the MacGyvers of the glass world," he said, laughing, making reference to the popular 1980s action-adventure television show hero that created things from everyday items.

The Artech Studios group Terry Craig, left, daughter, Anabelle, 8, wife, Jennifer Wanless-Craig and friend Jake Raynard are hoping to raise funds for a humanitarian trip to Rwanda this summer to help a group of Rwandan women to earn money creating glass blown objects. They have been asked by U.S. humanitarian group Manos de Madres to build a glass blowing kiln and to teach the women how to blow glass.

**Darren Lum** Staff

Craig and Raynard both point out glassblowing demands a lot of artists to fashion custom parts to keep kilns going. The kiln they use is far from being state-of-the-art, as its origins date back to the 1970s. Perfect for a country like Rwanda where things need to be simple.

Moinster admits she knew little about the Craigs and their work before meeting them at the Gift Show in Chicago.

Since meeting them she has learned about the passion and excitement they have for life and the work they create.

She has been impressed by their focus and undeterred spirit towards teaching others about glassblowing despite being ineligible for funding.

"They fully understood and were undaunted by the fact that Manos de Madres could not fund them - that they would have to raise all of the money for their travel, supplies, etc!" she said. "This is where the conversation would end with most people as nobody likes to fundraise, especially during this difficult economy."

Their determination will be important to overcome challenges working in Africa and setting up a simple kiln that is easy to maintain, she said.

Part of the Canadians' challenge is to also teach about workplace safety and offering related equipment such as safety shoes and eyeglasses, different fuel composition, and clarify government rules on using recycled glass.

Manos de Madres, which is a member of the Fair Trade Federation and Green America, was formed with a focus to improve the lives of women and their families in 2003. It started with a project in Honduras and continues to work exclusively with women. The initiatives are based on cooperation, creativity, fair trade and sustainability. The non-profit organization gives women a bridge to the American market and helps to develop local markets.

"The longer we're not there there's women there not making stuff," Wanless-Craig said.

She adds despite the restrictions on funding for initial set up, there will be funding available to sustain it.

After, much of the follow up work can be done through Skype and, if necessary, a visit can be arranged for Craig to further the women's skills.

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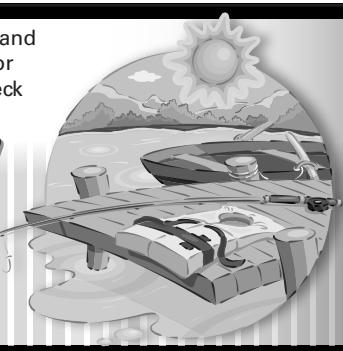
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The Craigs are planning on taking eight-year-old daughter Anabelle with them. They plan on assuming the costs for their daughter, who will be put to work like the Rwandan children where they will be based.

While in Rwanda they plan on blogging about their experience. When they return, they intend to give a presentation.

They have been in regular contact, using email, using video and photos to resolve as many issues before they arrive and are known to the women already.

This has put a face to the Canadians for the Africans, creating greater motivation for the Canadians to go more than ever.

"We really have to go now," Wanless-Craig said. "They know about us and really want the help."

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**MAINTENANCE**

# Volunteers are the backbone of a community

**Nancy Brownsberger**  
SIRCH community Services

In the April 17 issue of the *Haliburton County Echo* editor Jenn Watt put it perfectly when she stated that volunteers are the "backbone" of most non-profits here in the Haliburton Highlands. In fact I would go even so far as to say that volunteers truly are the backbone to not just not-for-profits but a multitude of service providers in both the public and private sector. With the celebration of National Volunteer Appreciation Week under our belts and much head-nodding, back-slapping and accolades, I leave it to some of the Highlands' most important neighbours to let you know what it means to

be a volunteer.

• "It's not what you take from life that is important, it's what you give to life that matters, and there is nothing more important or valuable than your time." - Community Care volunteer

• "I believe that over half the services we benefit from in our community would not be available without the efforts of volunteers." - SIRCH hospice volunteer

• "I am not wealthy but I have riches in the form of health, sufficient income, a good home and family and enough time to help others less fortunate. My gift of time is not an

expense, it is a reward." - Community Care volunteer driver

• "Volunteers are literally the heart, soul and breath of community (radio) in the Haliburton Highlands." - Canoe FM volunteer coordinator

• "I think volunteering fills a very basic need for feeling connected to and contributing to others in your community. It is an enriching and symbiotic experience that lends itself to the 'saying it takes a village.'" - HKPR Health Unit volunteer

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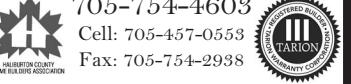
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# St. Peter's College School remembers Earth Day

There were many ways St. Peter's ACHS College School students could have remembered and/or interacted with Earth Day this past week. However, planting trees is what the students really wanted to do. As part of this year's school curriculum the Grade 4 through 8 planted over 400 trees just north of Highway 118 to help the earth and its environment. "Haliburton already has many trees, but adding these trees will help stop erosion and will help clean the air," said Kyle Cooper, a Grade 6 student at the school. "It will also provide additional food and shelter for the animals," said Grade 4 student Miki Bukta who was excited about planting the trees.



Students from St. Peter's ACHS College School in Haliburton embraced Earth Day by planting trees.

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## The merry month of May

Greg Roe



### Music Notes

Every May I think of the song Barbara Allen and its lyric, "T'was in the merry month of May." I blame that on my Grade 6 teacher who taught our class the song, way back when, and it remains with me today. The song dates back to the 1600s and as a result there are many versions. It has been recorded by many 20th century artists and some in this century, I am sure.

The month was named after the Greek goddess Maia, the goddess of fertility. Suitable if you live in the northern hemisphere where spring is in the air, but not so much in the southern, where winter is just around the corner. Interestingly, no other month begins or ends on the same day of the week as May in any year. Throw that one in at the next cocktail party!

This week's issue of the *Echo* comes out on May 1, or May Day for many around the world. The significance of this day is widespread and varied and goes way back in the annals of time. It can range from dancing around the May Pole to the Day of the Workers, but music is a part of them all.

In New Zealand, May is music month, one of the aims of which is to encourage the playing of local music in media and live. It is an interesting choice of months in that it is the beginning of their winter. In Canada, Arcade Fire released a song called *The Month of May* and Blue Rodeo released a tune entitled, *5 Days in May*. There are also many traditional songs and poems that relate to May and often deal with themes of love and renewal that come with the onset of spring.

In this part of the world, spring is also in the air, although sometimes the weather belies that fact. Plans for music festivals are kicking into full gear and that includes here in the Highlands. The Folk Society and The Forest Festival are just a couple of groups that bring us great music over the spring, summer and fall. As well, the first of the concert series takes place in early May and of course Music by the Gull is a summer staple. It's a privilege to have access to all this and more and it is important to get out and support these events.

For now, however, I am going to dig out my old Everly Brothers Re-union Concert DVD and listen to them croon, "In Scarlet Town where I was born, there was a fair maid dwelling. Made every youth cry well-a-day, her name was Barbara Allen." Oh, and remember, the only thing worse than nostalgia is amnesia!

Greg Roe hosts It's Only Rock and Roll, alternating Friday nights on 100.9 Canoe FM, your volunteer, community radio station. He also hosts Haliburton County Reads on Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

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# Reads of the week



## Book of the Week:

### *Calico Joe* by John Grisham

In John Grisham's highly anticipated new book *Calico Joe*, we meet Paul Tracey, the son of mediocre Mets pitcher Warren Tracey. Paul loves the game but instead of worshipping his father, his hero is Joe Castle, an up-and-coming American baseball legend. One day, a horrific injury abruptly ends Joe's baseball career. The world is in an uproar and blames Warren, who was technically at fault. For the next 30 years, Paul thinks about the accident, believing his now estranged father caused it deliberately. When he hears that Warren is dying, however, Paul feels he must reach out. And so he embarks on a quest to help bring peace between his father and Joe, before it is too late. You can reserve *Calico Joe* in conventional print, large print or talking book formats at your library.

## Junior Book of the Week:

### Junior Fiction Title

#### *Mr. and Mrs. Bunny – Detectives Extraordinaire!* by Polly Horvath

When Madeline gets home from school one afternoon to discover that her parents have been kidnapped by foxes, she must set off to find them. While the foxes interrogate her parents, Madeline goes to her uncle's where she meets Mr. and Mrs. Bunny, who have just that day decided to become detectives. This eccentric, bickering couple are not merely rabbit detectives, they are also smart car-driving, fedora-wearing, marmot haters. *Mr. and Mrs. Bunny* is a quirky British Columbia set mystery book that can be appreciated by good humoured kids and parents alike. Find out if the bunnies will track down the sneaky foxes by requesting this title at the Haliburton County Public Library.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

### IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE GORDON JAMES GREEN

All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of **GORDON JAMES GREEN**, late, of the Township of Dysart, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 23rd day of March 2012, are required to file the particulars of such claim with the undersigned solicitor for said Estate on or before the 8th day of May 2012.

**AND TAKE NOTICE** that after the last day named, the assets of the said Estate will be distributed amongst the persons entitled hereto the Estate Trustee of the Estate, having regard only to the claims of which the solicitor below shall have notice.

Dated at Haliburton, Ontario the 12th day of April 2012.

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## Local Celebrity Read

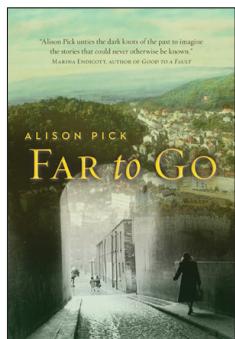


Roberta Coles, a committee member of Those Other Movies, recently read *Far To Go* by Allison Pick. *Far To Go* tells the story of one family's efforts to survive the persecution of Jews in Czechoslovakia during 1938/39. "I decided to read *Far To Go* because it was on last year's Evergreen Award list. I often read from the Evergreen list to find some low-profile

Canadian gems and *Far To Go* is a great example of this," says Coles. "I found it comparable to *Sarah's Key*, which I read around the same time, but *Far To Go* is a more realistic and better written, in my opinion. And, of course, I appreciated its Canadian connection."

"I like novels and films that teach me something about the world, especially history. World War II Czechoslovakia was something I didn't know much about until *Far To Go*," explains Coles. "It is the same reason why I am looking forward to our Those Other Movies documentary film festival." Those Other Movies is a non-profit, volunteer run organization that operates as Haliburton County's chapter of the Film Circuit, which is a division of the Toronto International Film Festival. As a special event, Those Other Movies will be running a documentary film festival aptly

titled Doc(k) Days. The festival runs this Saturday, May 5 at the Northern Lights Pavilion. "Doc(k) Days will feature great documentaries and special guests," says Coles. "It will be entertaining, educational and cover a wide range of topics, from painter Tom Thomson to injustice at Guantanamo."



## News & Events:

Starting on May 9 at the Dysart branch the Haliburton County Public Library will be offering business workshops through Contact North, Ontario's Distance Education and Training Network. The workshops will run every Wednesday, refer to our website at [www.haliburtonlibrary.ca](http://www.haliburtonlibrary.ca) for a full list of topics and times.

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## NOTICE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Notice is also provided that a Special Council Meeting will be held on Monday, May 7, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. to consider Planning matters.

Cheryl Coulson, A.M.C.T.  
Clerk



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## 2012 Annual General Meeting

**Saturday, May 26, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm**

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Tuesday	Executive Meeting 7 p.m.
Wednesday	Darts 7:30 p.m.
Friday	Pool 1:30 p.m.
	Ham/scalloped potato dinner 5 to 7 p.m.
	Jam Session 7 p.m. - Come to play or listen to great music.
Saturday	Meat Draw 2 p.m.
	Karaoke 9 p.m.
Sunday	Retro Sunday - 1 to 6 p.m.
	Retro Sunday - 1 to 6 p.m. - good old fashioned fun at retro prices.

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## Wilberforce

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It always happens, but it's all part of the fun and games. Sitting around recalling the good games, the ones you'd rather forget, the amazing shots, the unfortunate losses. Oh well, there's always next year. That's what one could overhear in the conversations at the Wilberforce Curling Club's windup awards night last week.

Curlers and their guests enjoyed a pleasant evening with a tasty dinner before the awards. The Ladies Auxiliary at the Legion always serves up good food.

Tammy Vaughan and Melanie Lewis, co-chairs of the club, were pleased to MC the awards program. Doug Stephen, convenor, presented awards to winners of the first round in the Monday night mixed league. Accepting were Blaine Lewis and George Callfas for themselves and team mates Darrel McQuigge and Kathy McQuigge.

Tammy Vaughan who convened the second half in that league presented awards to Doug Stephen and John Teravainen and in absentia Brenda Berning and Christina Berning.

Scoring was done in an interesting way in both the Tuesday night women's league and the Thursday night men's league. The composition of the teams changed regularly and often, so scores were recorded on an individual basis. Individuals were awarded the scores that their teams had achieved in each game and totalled for the season. The winners in the women's league were Teresa Smith, Sharon Lowe, Melanie Lewis and Jan Dahm. They were all there to receive their awards from Tammy and Melanie.

In the men's league winners George Callfas, Blaine

Lewis, Ross McNeil and John Teravainen received their awards from convenor Peter Boyer.

In the Wednesday daytime league team members John Teravainen and Peter Boyer accepted the awards for themselves and team mates Joe Martinek and Willie Lee whose team had a clean sweep winning the first and second sections and the very short playoffs.

A good evening and lots of good curling to remember. A business meeting for the executive and members will be held at the Curling Club on Monday, May 14 beginning at 7 p.m. Support your executive who work hard to provide this fun sport.

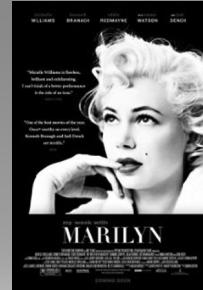
Several women from St. Margaret's Anglican Church attended the spring meeting of the Victoria Haliburton Deanery at Christ Church Bobcageon on Thursday, April 26. The day included a very welcome coffee time, a service of Holy Communion, pot luck lunch and speakers from the Fenelon Falls Grannies

For Grannies who support the Stephen Lewis Foundation's effort in its work against AIDS. A good day of learning and worship with women from churches in Lindsay, Dunsford, Coboconk, Beaverton, Haliburton, Maple Lake and Minden.

Nothing like a walk in the woods to rev up the body and spirit. On a rather cool April 27 a number of retired teachers toured the Haliburton Sculpture Forest by the Haliburton campus of Sir Sanford Fleming College and Glebe Park. Jim Blaikie led the group relating many fascinating stories about the unique outdoors sculptures by Canadian and international artists. After lunch at the college catered by McKeeks the group visited the Haliburton Highlands Museum. One highlight from that visit was a demonstration of a printing press that had been used in early times at the Echo.

## Coming Events

### THOSE OTHER MOVIES



Thursday, May 10/12: MY WEEK WITH MARILYN

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## Annual General Meeting



Point in Time Centre for Children,  
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Annual General Meeting

on Tuesday, June 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

at the Haliburton Curling Club

730 Mountain Street

Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0

Light refreshments will be served  
at 6:30 p.m.

RSVP 705-457-5345 by May 4th.

# Congratulations to all our local talent on their hard work

## West Guilford

Eleanor Cooper

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The hard working and enterprising Guilford women who call themselves the Dog Patch Dollys once again outdid themselves in preparation and serving the dinner at the centre on April 28. Funds raised went to support Relay for Life and breast cancer research in particular. Dollars were also raised at the auction run by Roxanne Casey of Canoe FM and at the loonie auction. Ron Murphy, also a great volunteer at Canoe, managed the DJ part of the evening. It was a full house for the event, so congratulations to all who prepared for it and to those who attended. On Thursday, May 3 university women host a card party and lunch at the centre with proceeds going to the scholarship fund for a student graduation this year, intending to go to university.

Congratulations to Lauren Snelgrove on the exhibition at Rails End Gallery of her art piece. Congratulations to Kathleen Telford on fine musical interpretation both vocally and on piano in the recent music festival, and on winning one of the scholarships to help with further musical training. Christopher Chumbley and Wayne Cooper also shone as soloists and as a choreographed vocal team at the festival High-

lights. Margaret Milne and Bethany Houghton performed well on stringed instruments as they played a piece they composed at the Winter Folk Camp. Our Highlands Concert Band was also awarded a Scholarship. Those who knew Jean Frazer as an artist, poet or musician will be sad to learn of her death on April 14 in Etobicoke at Highbourne Life Care. Euchre last Tuesday

resulted in the following high- Liz Jesseman and Ron Bain; low- Sandy Poulton and Bill Mathews; most lone hands- Maureen Laplante and Perry Morrison. If you are still trying to reach Tanya for offering help on Canada Day, the number is now 705-457-1349 or



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Sears days will also be extended to Fri May 4 and Sat May 5 so you can rack up on great DEALS during the event. Enjoy live entertainment with your BBQ snack from Moose FM. YOU COULD EVEN WIN A BRAND NEW BBQ FOR ALL YOUR SUMMER GRILLING NEEDS, IF YOU SUPPORT FOOD FOR KIDS **SATURDAY MAY 5, 2012!!!!**

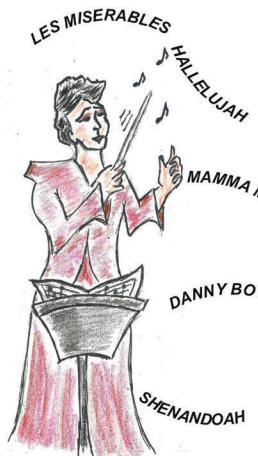
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## community calendar

What's happening in the County



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**April 28:** The Haliburton County Snowmobile Assoc. is having their AGM at Sandy Lane Resort, Highway 35 North of Carnarvon at 10am Everyone Welcome

**May 1:** Steve Nash Youth Basketball Program Co-ed ages 9-15 registration from 6:30-7:30 at HHSS Athletic Complex SPACE IS LIMITED! \$40 for 8 week session

**May 3:** CFUW HH Card Party & Lunch, West Guilford Community Centre 12:00pm \$20/person includes lunch. All proceeds to the CFUW HH Scholarship Fund. Phone 705 754-1066 for tickets.

**May 4:** Haliburton Highlands Women's Golf Icebreaker tee registration May 4th at the Haliburton Curling club 7pm for more information call 705-887-4230

**May 5:** Sears Haliburton Annual Food for Kids Charity Barbeque, in support of Student Nutrition Programs in Haliburton County located at Sears from 11-3pm. All BBQ proceeds will go directly to the Food for Kids programs

**May 6:** Haliburton Concert Series presents the first concert in its 2012 season: Bax & Chung. Join us to hear duo pianists Alessio Bax and Lucille Chung at 7:30 in the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Tickets for the three-concert subscription series are \$50 for adults, \$25 for students, and \$125 for families, and are available from Brenda Robinson at 705-457-2695 or [br Robinson@interhop.net](mailto:br Robinson@interhop.net). For further details visit [www.haliburtoncs.blogspot.com](http://www.haliburtoncs.blogspot.com)

**May 6:** St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Fenelon Falls fundraising concert, featuring Musical Duo Karel Beck & Ruth McGhee, Holy Fire & the Caleb Kim Jr. Doors open 1:30pm concert starts 2pm freewill donations will be gratefully received.

**May 9:** The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild meets on Wednesday at 1 pm at the Stanhope Community Centre. This is the Annual General Meeting. For information call Pat Stiver at (705) 489-3751.

**May 19:** Gooderham United Church YARD SALE: from 8a.m. - 3p.m. for more information or to make a donation call June at 705-447-2838

**Members of the Maple Lake U.C** are collecting Bottles & Cans to raise money for the Church's new Washroom Liquor, wine, beer bottles or cans plus pop cans are being accepted please contact Maggie at 705-754-2968 for pick up

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**Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.**

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**Department:** Office

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- Create a sustainable information management process
- Transition municipal publications to new slogan

**Other Accountabilities**

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**Key Qualities**

- Have a keen interest in outdoor recreation
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- Able to pay attention to detail, solve problems and complete the job at hand
- Understand process development strategies
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If you are contacted by the Municipality of Highlands East regarding a job opportunity or testing, please advise if you require accommodation. Information received relating to accommodation needs of applicants will be addressed confidentially.

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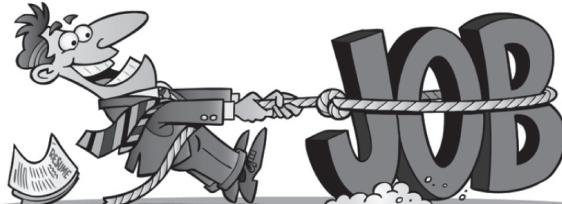
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~ Sincere thanks,  
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**Deaths**

**BALL, David Frank (Dave)** - Peacefully at Haliburton Highlands Health Services, Haliburton on Thursday, January 19, 2012 in his 90th year. Beloved husband of the late Uena Marshall. Lovingly remembered by his stepchildren Verlene Sinclair (Don), Susie Mitchell (Frank) of Lindsay and Terry Mitchell (Gwen) of Peterborough. Grandpa Dave to Doug (Lori), Donna, Robert "Louie" (Tish), Carolyn, Kevin (Karen), and Christine (Kevin) and all of his great grandchildren. Dear friend of Betty and her daughter Brenda. A special thank you to all Dave's personal support workers Caroll, Deb, Elizabeth, Sheila and Maryann and the many others who visited and helped Dave. Also many thanks to Christine, his nurse Vi and Shirley from Hospice. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the GRAVESIDE SERVICE AT SOUTH WILBERFORCE CEMETERY ON SATURDAY MAY 5, 2012 AT 11:30 A.M. Reception will follow at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 624 Wilberforce. Arrangements entrusted to DUFFUS FUNERAL DIRECTORS, Peterborough, 705-745-4612. On-line condolences can be made at [www.duffusfuneralhome.com](http://www.duffusfuneralhome.com)

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Words cannot express our heartfelt appreciation to our friends and family, for their acts of kindness and support, in the recent loss of our son and brother, **DEVIN SAWYER**. Thank you to **Randy Warburton**, for his thoughtful and comforting words; to the **Gordon Monk Funeral Home**, for their kindness and understanding; to the ladies of the **Haven of Rest Chapel**, for providing a lovely lunch following the service. Sincere thanks to the doctors, nurses, and staff at the **Hamilton General Hospital, ICU**.

*Budd, Betty, Lisa, and Gail*

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**Deaths**



**Gerrit 'Dutch' Pain**

**Resident of Haliburton, Ontario**

Peacefully on April 21, 2012 at Extendicare Haliburton in his 79th year. Loving husband of 27 years to Mary (nee Haylock). Beloved father to Judy (Dave), Wilma (Nick), Gary and Brenda. Loving Grandfather to Melissa (Peter), Nathan, Lance (Vanessa), Brent (Ashley), Nicholas, Samantha, and Jeremy. Great Grandfather to Kaia, Hailey and Amaliya. Dutch is survived by his Sister-in-law Carla.

He is predeceased by his Brother Corey and Leo, his sister Dinni. Dutch enjoyed working for the Board of Education in Etobicoke, Ontario for over 10 years. As well as, the O.P.P. Auxilliary for over 12 years.

**Visitation & Funeral Services**

Friends may call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Highway #118 Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0 (705) 457-9209 on Wednesday, April 25, 2012 from 4 - 7p.m. Then again on Thursday, April 26, 2012 from 12 o'clock until time of funeral service in the chapel at 1 o'clock. Reception to follow. As expressions of sympathy donations to Extendicare - Proud Pioneers would be greatly appreciated by the family.

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## Deaths

**TAIT, Bill (William R.)** - June 4, 1930 - April 19, 2012 - Passed away suddenly at Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay, after a short illness. Beloved husband and best friend of Elsie (2008) for 52 years; loving and much loved father to Valerie and Mark Lowell (Fenelon Falls), and Brad and Rae Tait (Haliburton); proud and adored Papa to Shannon (Fenelon Falls), Matt and Carolyn (Little Britain), Lucas and Stephanie (Fenelon Falls), Riley and Alexandra (Haliburton), and great-grandfather to Cooper, Kennedy and Isabella. Brother to Bob (Diane), Mahlon (Loretta), and Larry (Carol). Bill will be sadly missed by many nieces and nephews and cousins. He will be fondly remembered by many friends especially those at Log Chateau. Family and friends are invited to a memorial service to celebrate Bill's life at FENELON FALLS UNITED CHURCH, 123 Colborne St. Fenelon Falls on Tuesday April 24, 2012, at 2 p.m. The family encourages donations to Ross Memorial Hospital, 10 Angeline St. North, Lindsay, K9V 4M8, or A Place Called Home, 64 Lindsay St. South, Lindsay, K9V 2M2. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to JARDINE FUNERAL HOME, CREMATION & TRIBUTE CENTRE, 8 Princes' St. West, Fenelon Falls, 1-866-453-9277. On line condolences, memorial donations, or to light a memorial candle please visit [www.jardinefuneralhome.com](http://www.jardinefuneralhome.com)

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Down a road that's calm and peaceful,  
Guided by God's loving hand,  
He has gone upon a journey  
To a distant, brighter land.  
And although our hearts are heavy  
With sorrow we still bear,  
It helps to bring us comfort,  
Knowing he is happy there.

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## Card of thanks

The family of **Edward Reil (Teddy)** would like to express out thanks to his family and friends who visited the Gordon A Monk Funeral Home. To the Reverend Peter Walford-Davis, Shirley Madill and the ladies in Gooderham for preparing the wonderful luncheon, and for the Cards, flowers and donations made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation

**The Reil Family**

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*We cannot, Lord, Thy purpose see,  
Save all is well that's done by Thee.*

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**Dugan, Helen**

In loving memory of our dear Mother & Grandmother, and Great Grandmother who passed way May 4th, 2007

If love could have saved you  
You would never have died  
We miss you always  
Wishing you were here

**Love Bill, Freda & Family**

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and Andrew.

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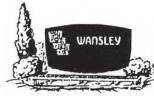
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